CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A circuit comprising:

a key generating section, the key generating section generating a plurality of individual keys based on a main key;

a decryption generating section coupled to the key generating section and a main decryption section, the decryption generating section generating a plurality of individual decryption processes based on the main decryption section and the plurality of individual keys; and

a main encryption section, the main encryption section using the main key to encrypt content.

- 2. The circuit of claim 1, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 3. The circuit of claim 2, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes decrypt the content from the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.

4. A circuit comprising:

a key generating section, the key generating section generating a plurality of individual keys based on a main key;

an encryption generating section coupled to the key generating section and a main encryption section, the encryption generating section generating a plurality of individual encryption processes based on the main encryption section and the plurality of individual keys; and

a main decryption section, the main decryption section using the main key to decrypt cypher-content.

- 5. The circuit of claim 4, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 6. The circuit of claim 5, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes encrypt the content forming the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.



7. A method comprising:

generating a plurality of individual keys based on a main key; generating a plurality of individual decryption processes based on a main decryption process and the plurality of individual keys; and encrypting content based on an encryption process and the main key.

8. The method of claim 7, further comprising: distributing the plurality of individual keys to a plurality of customers;

distributing the plurality of individual decryption processes to the plurality of customers; and

distributing cypher-content to the plurality of customers.

- 9. The method of claim 8, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 10. The method of claim 9, the encrypting to generate a cyphercontent from the content.
- 11. The method of claim 10, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes decrypt the content from the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.
- 12. A method comprising: generating a plurality of individual keys based on a main key; generating a plurality of individual encryption processes based on a main encryption process and the plurality of individual keys; and decrypting cypher-content based on a main decryption process and the main key.
- 13. The method of claim 12, further comprising: distributing the plurality of individual keys to a plurality of customers;

distributing the plurality of individual encryption processes to the plurality of customers; and

receiving cypher-content from the plurality of customers.



- 14. The method of claim 12, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 15. The method of claim 12, the main decryption process to generate a content from the cypher-content.
- 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes encrypt the content forming the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.
- 17. A program storage device readable by a machine comprising instructions that cause the machine to:

generate a plurality of individual keys based on a main key;
generate a plurality of individual decryption processes based on a
main decryption process and the plurality of individual keys; and
encrypt content based on an encryption process and the main
key.

- 18. The program storage device of claim 17, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 19. The program storage device of claim 18, the encrypting to generate a cypher-content from the content.
- 20. The program storage device of claim 19, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes decrypt the content from the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.
- 21. A program storage device readable by a machine comprising instructions that cause the machine to:

distribute a plurality of individual keys to a plurality of customers;

distribute a plurality of individual decryption processes to the plurality of customers; and

distribute cypher-content to the plurality of customers.



- 22. The program storage device of claim 21, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 23. The program storage device of claim 21, wherein the plurality of individual decryption processes decrypt the content from the cypher-content by using the plurality of individual keys.
- 24. A program storage device readable by a machine comprising instructions that cause the machine to:

generate a plurality of individual keys based on a main key; generate a plurality of individual encryption processes based on a main encryption process and the plurality of individual keys; and

decrypt cypher-content based on a main decryption process and the main key.

- 25. The program storage device of claim 24, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- 26. The program storage device of claim 24, the main decryption process to generate a content from the cypher-content.
- 27. The program storage device of claim 25, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes encrypt the content forming the cyphercontent by using the plurality of individual keys.
- 28. A program storage device readable by a machine comprising instructions that cause the machine to:

distribute a plurality of individual keys to a plurality of customers;

distribute a plurality of individual encryption processes to the plurality of customers; and

receive cypher-content from the plurality of customers.

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- 29. The program storage device of claim 28, wherein the plurality of individual encryption processes to each use one of the plurality of individual keys.
- The program storage device of claim 29, wherein the plurality of 30. individual encryption processes encrypt the content forming the cyphercontent by using the plurality of individual keys.